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SUBJ: YPFB SIGNS FIFTH OPERATION CVONTRICT.

REF: A-228 OF OCTOBER 13, 1973.

1. ON DECEMBER 14 REPRESENTATIVES OF BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT AND TWO AMERICAN OIL COMPANIES, AMERADA HESS AND AMOCO PETROLEUM, SIGNED OPERATIONS CONTRACT SIMILAR TO FOUR OTHERS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY. AMERADA AND AMOCO

WILL JOINTLY EXPLORE 1,043,498 HECTARES LOCATED IN SOUTHEASTERN BOLIVIAN BORDERING PARAGUAYAN BORDER AND ROUGLY IN ZONE WITHIN 60 AND 61.5 DEGREES LRFGITUDE AND 18.5 AND 19.5 DEGREES LATITUDE. AREA IS IN PROVINCIA CORDILLERA, DEPARTMENT OF SANTA CRUZ.

2. IF OIL FOUND, AMERICAN COMPANIES WILL RECEIVE 48 PERCENT OF PRODUCTION OF FIRST 125,000 BARRELS PER DAY; 47 PERCENT OF OIL EXCEEDING 125,000 BARRELS PER DAY AND UP TO AND INCLUDING 250,000 BARRELS PER DAY. IF GAS FOUND, COMPANIES WILL RECEIVE 48 PERCENT OF GAS PROBCCED OF FIRST 250,000 CUBIC FEET PER DAY (CFD); 47 PERCENT OF GAS EXCEEDING 250,000 UNCLASSIFIED

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CFD UP TO AND INCLUDING 400,000 CFD; AND FINALLY 45 PERCENT

OF GAS PRODUCTION EXCEEDING 400,000  
CFD. OTHER DETAILS REPORTEDLY ARE SIMILAR TO CONDITIONS  
DESCRIBED IN REPAIR FOR PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CONTRACT.

3. SUN OIL IS EXPECTED SIGN SIXTH OPERATION THIS WEEK FOR  
AN ALTIPLANO AREA NEAR ORURO.  
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